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25X1 1. [] OCR/Liaison, called to say he had received from the State Department a copy of a letter which Senator John G. Tower (R., Tex.) had sent to State which included a letter from a constituent who raised the question concerning, among other things, a statement attributed to Mr. Dulles with respect to Yugoslavia and Cuba. He also received from State a memorandum involving an inquiry from Representative W. R. Poage (D., Tex.) regarding Yugoslavia. [] is forwarding these items to appropriate DD/I offices for action and is sending copies to us for our information. 25X1

25X1 2. [] Ben Read, Staff Assistant to Senator Joseph S. Clark (D., Pa.), called with reference to the copy of Agency Handbook 20-4, a copy of which had been left with Read for the Senator's information but no publication. (See Journal of 23 January 1962) Read said he recalled our conversation concerning open use of this document but said the Senator wanted to read sections 3.b.(1) and 3.c. on the floor of the Senate on Monday and wanted to know if we have any objection to his doing this. It was fairly obvious that Senator Clark proposed to quote the Agency Handbook in connection with the floor debate on Mr. McCone's nomination. I told Read I would check on this and call him right back. ✓

25X1 Mr. Warner discussed the implications of Read's call with Colonel White, [] and Mr. McCone. It was agreed that we were not in a position to preclude Clark's use of these two items on the floor.

I called Read and told him we had no objection to the Senator's using these two items. Read indicated that the Senator did plan to use this in connection with Mr. McCone's confirmation discussion. I asked Read if he had followed the hearings on Mr. McCone's confirmation in the Armed Services Committee and if he were aware of the fact that the Department of Justice had given an opinion that there was no conflict of interest involved. Read said they had been following the hearings closely and had discussed the matter with Justice. He said Justice told them that the matter had been discussed on an informal basis. I told Read that our General Counsel had written an opinion on this subject which had been concurred in by Justice and I would like to send a copy of this to him for the Senator's information. This will be sent up first thing Saturday morning.

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25X1 8. [] Talked with William Lowell and Ralph Hutto, of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, concerning the final printing of the translations of Mr. Helms' testimony on Communist Forgeries. They expect the printed copies to be available within ten days to two weeks. I also talked with Richard Nathan, in Senator Kenneth B. Keating's office, about the hearings. Nathan has made an arrangement with Lowell for the Senator to send copies of the translations to the foreign language publications in the New York area. (We are to supply a suggested list of publications to the Subcommittee.) Nathan is interested in knowing how many New York publications are on this list. He said he thought the Senator would want to get the maximum possible coverage on publications of this sort within the state of New York. [] CA Staff, is sending a complete list to us.) The list will then be forwarded to Mr. Lowell.

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25X1 9. [] David Martin, on Senator Thomas J. Dodd's staff, called and said that the source of the documents which he had received and which were allegedly seized []
25X1 [] Martin said he had seen [] on several occasions including two visits in Washington and one in Paris. I told Martin that I would pass this on to the people who had requested it and that they might like to discuss this further with him. In connection with the CI Staff comment on these documents, Martin said his reaction was the same as that of our people. Martin added that Senator Dodd expected to be out of town for approximately three weeks and, therefore, would not be available for lunch with Mr. McCone during that time. (I have passed on to Mr. Tweedy the information regarding []

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25X1 10. [] In response to a request from the CIA Library which had received numerous calls on the matter, contacted Maurine E. Dantsic, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, concerning the question of whether the Committee publishes a printed report of confirmation hearings. Miss Dantsic advised that although such a report is possible in theory, to her knowledge the Committee has never published one. The Library was so advised.

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